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"There are dozens of little villages like West Guilford around Haliburton County. Rich in tradition, they still have potluck suppers and church rummage sales and people who stop to help if you put your car in the ditch." Submitted by Janet Trull

West Guilford is rich with culture, if you only just look

JANET TRULL
Special to County Life

The small towns in Haliburton County are rich with stories of hard-working farmers and loggers and trappers. There are backroads you have never been on, not even if you lived here your entire life. Back roads with ghost towns and pioneer graveyards and mysterious driveways littered with fallen branches. You haven't really experienced Haliburton until you've been lost on the backroads.

I live in West Guilford. A self-sufficient place. The store has an excellent meat counter, a post office, an LCBO outlet and the requisite number of local guys who come for coffee and gather on the front porch. Across the street is a laundromat and a snack bar popular for burgers and ice cream cones. We have a country gift store filled to the rafters with cool cottage stuff. We have a campground in a sleepy hollow, and a golf course. We have a restaurant, famous for pizza, that recently changed hands and added Korean dishes to the menu. We have ... and this is something to be super proud of because they are becoming rare … a top notch car repair and service business with mechanics who know stuff about cars and trucks that computers can't figure out.

West Guilford has a church with a white spire rising above the pines. We have a public beach where thousands of kids have learned to swim. Our community centre hosts New Years Eve bashes, "Stag and Doe" parties, and voting. It has a playground, horse shoe pits, a ball diamond, and the famous Tag Alder outdoor rink built by George Nicholls. NHL players, Bernie Nicholls and Ron Stackhouse, both hailed from here, a fact proudly displayed on the sign as you leave town.

Also on that sign is a lovely portrait of a hound dog, alluding, I suppose, to the village's nickname, "Dogpatch." West Guilford has a past steeped in history, and that included the honoured tradition of hunting. Around Pine Lake, back in the day, the hound dogs did howl, in their forlorn way. Like a doggy telegraph system, they got each other going. Some say you can still hear their ghostly echoes when the moon is full.

There are dozens of little villages like West Guilford around Haliburton County. Rich in tradition, they still have potluck suppers and church rummage sales and people who stop to help if you put your car in the ditch. They are a loyal, community-minded bunch, watching out for neighbours, cheering for local teams, volunteering when the need arises, and eternally patient with visitors (the good-mannered ones).

Each village has stories to tell. Slow down. Look around. Listen well. The past is close at hand, like a canoe in the mist.

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What's new at the Haliburton Highlands Museum

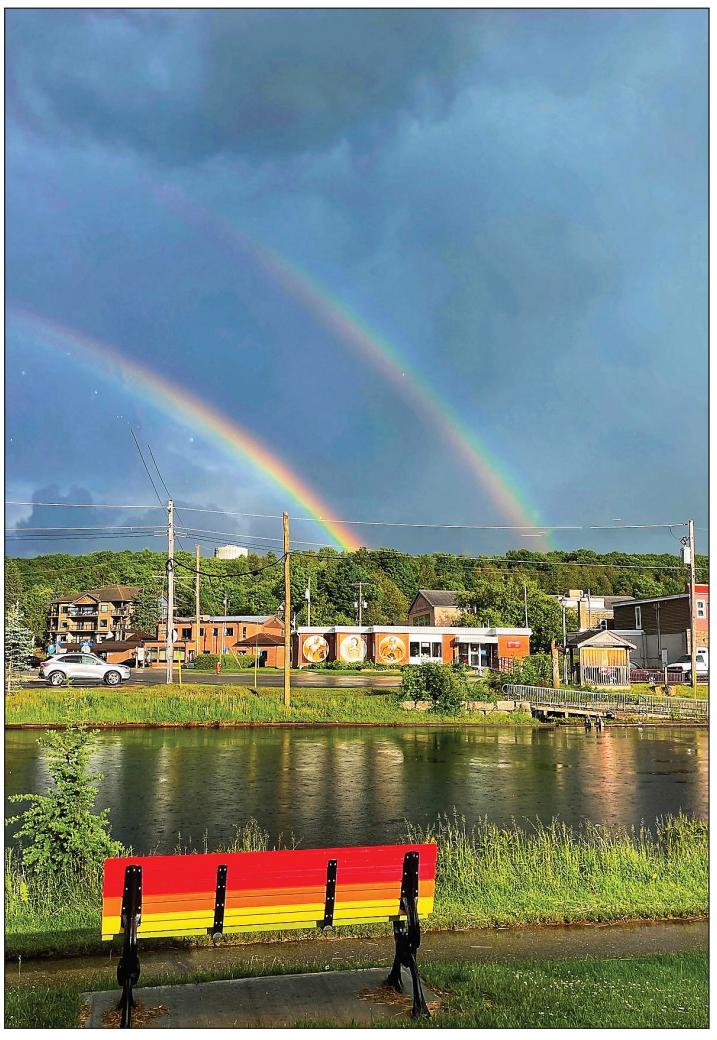
KATE BUTLER
Special to County Life

Earlier this week, we had the pleasure of welcoming Grade 2 and 3 students from Stuart Baker Elementary School to the Haliburton Highlands Museum. This visit is a tradition for the school and the museum that ties in with the parts of the curriculum, which cover community history and early settler life. It's always a fun day, but this occasion was extra special, as it was the first time we had been able to welcome this grade in over two years. Even a surprise rainstorm couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of the children, though it did rather change the plans for some of our outdoor activities!

While visits like this are a chance for children to learn about the museum and our local history, the learning goes both ways. I always enjoy hearing what the students wish to share with me. Sometimes it might be details about the historic houses that some of the children live in or information about other historic sites they've visited. During this visit, I asked some of the groups about what they might donate to a museum - those items which tell their own stories – and I heard accounts of keepsakes from their own lives and even heirlooms, which have been passed down through their families and link these young visitors in a very tangible way to the past. I often also ask students to explore the museum and let me know which items on display they find the most interesting to them. This time, I discovered we had many hockey fans, excited about vintage jerseys and well-worn skates, while others were fascinated with photos of the Grand Central Hotel. Historic toys caught the eyes of many, though several children felt that some of the old-fashioned dolls might be just a little wee bit creepy. The museum's historic cash register always seems to be a hit with children, which is hardly surprising given its ornate design and all those buttons. Several young visitors also asked about some items newly placed on display, which made me feel that I should also share the story of those items with all of you.

When we talk about the early artistic history of our community, there are certain names which regularly pop up, but then, like today, there were lesser known, but still very talented artists in our community. One of them was a young woman by the name of Fannie Bemister. Originally from Beaverton, love made Fannie set down roots in Haliburton. She married local businessman Harry Clarke at St. George's Anglican Church in 1891. That church played a key role in many aspects of Fannie's life in the village and she paid tribute to it in a beautiful painting, which we now have on display. Being creative seems to have been a talent passed through Fannie's family, as her parents, James and Jane, ran the Bemister Pottery Works in Beaverton and Fannie also learned to create beautiful pieces there, including a vase adorned with life-like flowers, which we currently have on display. Describing these items just doesn't do them justice, so I encourage you to visit the museum this summer and check them out for yourself. This summer will also see the return of programs to help visitors of all ages explore their own creativity and our community's stories. As always, we would also love to hear which items from the collection you find especially interesting, so do let us know when you stop by!

Luck x 2
A double rainbow is seen above the post office in Minden on Thursday, June 9. Submitted by Thom Lambert



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Why you need to support the HHOA

STEVE GALEA
Outdoors

Lake trout are loaded onto a boat on Lake Kashagawigamog. Submitted by Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association

If you have fished on more than a couple of our local lakes, you have probably benefited from the work of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA). The HHOA stocks at least 20 lakes a year with the rainbow trout and lake trout that local and visiting anglers love so much.

The pandemic, however, has hit this local volunteer-based group hard. Membership has dropped. Now there are only 95 paid members and 75 volunteers, compared to better times when 300 was closer to the norm. More than that, their major fund-raising efforts, the locally famous fish fries (officially known as the Lake Trout Conservation Dinner) and Wild Game Dinners, have been postponed until better times allow.

Tim Bahr, an HHOA board member, says despite all this, the HHOA is still doing work that makes fishing better in the waters of the Haliburton County.

"Really, the whole community benefits, from the work done by our members," he said. "Because of our efforts tourism and local businesses benefit and those who live and cottage here can have some really great fishing opportunities."

Bahr says that the HHOA, which was founded in 1992, has three major programs that are still currently running. First, and probably most important to anyone who picks up a fishing rod, is the stocking program previously mentioned.

"We stock more than 20 lakes a year with either lakers or rainbows, depending on what the MNR (now known as the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry) directs us to do. And we alternate every two years so approximately 40 lakes stocked every two years," Bahr said. He added that each year approximately 35,000 fish (comprised of 15,000 lake trout, including the unique Haliburton gold and manitou strains, and 20,000 rainbow trout) are released in those efforts.

"Most anglers have probably fished in at least one of the lakes we stock, because some of the bigger, more popular lakes are always recipients of this program," he said.

The second program, which supports stocking efforts is the hatchery program, which depends on 75 volunteers to maintain.

"The MNR provides lake trout and rainbow trout fry and we raise them and release them in the spring," he said. If that short-term number isn't impressive enough for you, consider that the HHOA has released about 800,000 fish since 1998

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when the Hatchery and stocking programs started.

As you might suspect, raising and stocking that many fish is not an easy task. Bahr says all 75 hatchery volunteers, clean tanks, feed fish and ensure that water quality and temperatures are conducive to the species being raised. He's pleased that the new Hatchery manager David Poirier, who has plenty of experience, is now onboard.

Walleye Watch

Though the HHOA does not raise or stock walleye, it does make a concerted effort to ensure that our stocks on the Kashagawigamog chain of lakes is being monitored and helped.

"We stocked walleye in those lakes from 2010 to 2015," Bahr said.

Since then, however, the MNMDNRF has not permitted stocking of the species, so the HHOA monitors the population, has initiated and evaluated angler surveys, cleans spawning beds and is trying to ensure water flows are conducive to spawning effort success.

"Water flow is incredibly important to spawning success," said Bahr. "So we are in communication with Parks Canada and working with them to ensure that the flow in the Drag River in Haliburton, below Emmerson's Dam, is at the right level before and after the spring spawning run."

That is one of the most important walleye spawning locations in the area.

The HHOA also keeps track of walleye angler perception of the fishery, and is especially concerned about a 2021 angler survey that found the 82 per cent of respondents felt there was a decline in walleye on the Kashagawigamog chain of lakes.

The point of these efforts, Bahr said, is to try to rehabilitate the walleye fishery in these popular lakes, which he says is good for tourism, local anglers, and the whole community.

As if all that isn't enough the HHOA supports a very active Bass Fishing Club and a smaller Fly Fishing Club too, the latter of which is finally becoming more active again. Prior to the pandemic the HHOA also supported other clubs which Bahr hopes will re-emerge.

Rainbows being netted at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association's trout pond. Submitted by Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association.

All this is to say that while the HHOA is down, it is certainly not out.

We're hoping to encourage more anglers to join the organization (membership starts at around $40). This can be done online at HHOA.org or you can call the HHOA at 705-457-9664 and arrange to visit and pay in-person. Donations can also be given either way too.

"The HHOA runs entirely on donations and fundraising events. We are primarily supported by the community and are looking at ways to become self-sufficient," Bahr said. He says one such way is to raise fish commercially for those who have ponds, but this requires an expensive oxygen generator."

Bahr said, "We are trying to raise the funds for initiatives such as this, with memberships, donations, meeting room rental income, and our very popular 50/50 Catch the Ace draw as well as other events. We're asking anglers, hunters, and other community members to support the organization, so we can continue to provide the things we do."

For anglers and hunters in Haliburton County, there are fewer worthwhile causes.

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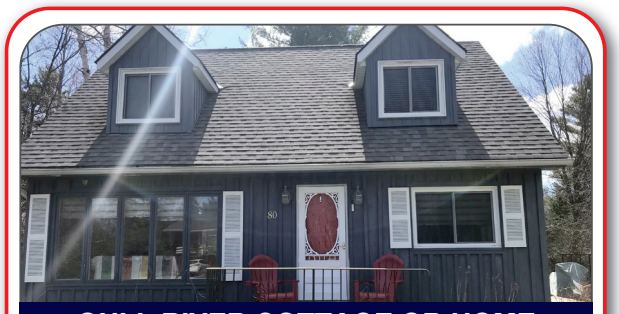

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Engage the world by throwing it back ... old school

PUT. YOUR phone. Down.

Yes, that's right. I am starting this column with a bold direction. Make like Elsa and "let it go." That's right. Say goodbye to Alexa for a hot second and read this article.

Now that I have your attention, let's talk about phone use. I remember when the phone was a tool used to make a call between two households. As a 90s baby, I still know every childhood friend's phone number (like actually, every one of them), which says a lot, considering I don't know my fiancé's phone number now. He's my emergency contact. If I don't have my phone's contact list in front of me, I am flat out of luck. Fingers crossed I never have to make a call for bail.

EMILY STONEHOUSE
Special to County Life

I remember going home after school, unpacking my lunchbox, doing my homework, and then calling my friends. We would stay on the phone for hours. Absolutely no idea what we talked about. Probably butterfly clips and middle-school crushes, but it was worthy of hours of talking time. Talking. We don't do that anymore.

Did you know, according to the internet, the average smartphone user touches their phone 2617 times a day, most people spend nearly three-plus hours scrolling their phones daily (that's more 3,000 hours a year), and 99.2 per cent of individuals experience some form of nomophobia; a relatively new fear of being detached from mobile connectivity. A fear of connection.

It's become a part of our lives. A separate being. A new relationship that fuels us, changes us, shapes us. Our phones have become a part of us.

I remember seeing my first iPhone. I was in my second year of university, and a guy named Kevin who lived on the third floor of my residence showed up with this thing. I kid you not, I thought it was a calculator. When I was growing up (as a token millennial) I had a classic phone that had a slide-out keyboard, which was a step up from the T9 option. I actually remember a whole life BEFORE phones, but that's a whole other story.

In university, I had a slide-out keyboard phone, and it was all I needed. Then one day, Kevin showed up with an iPhone. I distinctly remember thinking it would not catch on (spoiler alert: I was very wrong) because who could handle a touch screen. It seemed messy, confusing, and quite simply; more than we needed. Why would I need to access Facebook on my phone?

Fast forward 12 years and we are now glued to these screens. Social media is the number one means of advertising, and that's simply because it's at our fingertips. We are addicted to the screen. Addicted to seeing the lives around us that are not ours. Addicted to the latest trends. Addicted to scrolling. Thanks a lot, Kevin.

I am writing this article because I am watching summer unfold before us. I am seeing the days get longer and the sun shine brighter, and I want us all to enjoy it.

The other day, I went to the Dominion Hotel Pub in Minden. It's one of my favourite spots in the community; rich with history, heritage, and overall good energy. At one point, while sitting on the patio during a particularly glorious June day, I looked up, and every single person on that patio was staring down at their phones. Conversations stopped. Sunshine was overlooked. Food was picked at. Everyone was elsewhere, all while being there.

When you are 85 and looking back on your life, I don't think you'll remember a series of Tik Toks you saw. I don't think you'll remember a trending song. I don't think you'll remember a filter that made your cheekbones pop.

No, I think you'll remember the way the sun felt on your face, and the way you squealed when the lake water hit your toes. I think you'll remember your child's first birthday. The taste of vanilla cake and the joy in their eyes. I hope you remember the way it smells after it rains, and the sound of peepers after the sun sets. I hope you remember life. I hope you make those connections in the real world.

So, today, for a moment, please put your phone down. The world in front of you is the real world.

Top 10 reasons why you bought that third cup of coffee

IF YOU DRINK coffee, you know how easy it is to get carried away with that second cup. And that's forgivable too. But you can't fool anyone about t buying the third cup. Here the top 10 reasons why you drank the third cup:

1. Kept taking wrong turn as you left the drive through.
2. You need it to do a good hummingbird imitation.
3. It's a small price to pay for avoiding work.
4. Prefer quantity over quality.
5. Personal vendetta against the Tetley family.
6. You collect paper cups.
7. The Barista was going to get your name right if it took you six.
8. Needed an excuse to ask for the key to the executive washroom.
9. Not a fan of anything in moderation…
10. Hoping to spill one or more on your lap for a big lawsuit.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

The Rail Trail: a path to the past

There was a time in this fair land
When Highlands weren't so certain
That trains could link more villages
To good old Haliburton
Yet workers built a rail line through
To transport folk and goods
Two shiny tracks of steel they bridged
O'er ties axed from the woods

So briefly locomotives steamed
Both to and from the station
And pulled behind them passengers
From all across our nation
Apprentices, and jacks of trades
Professionals, some youth
Newcomers and their families
Day-trippers long in tooth

But progress in technology
Began to eclipse trains
Soon history replaced them
With new highways, trucks and planes
What's left, besides the station
(Now a gallery for art)
Are miles of paths where tracks had been
And ties were pulled apart

It's gravel now where engines chugged
It's birders and it's bikes
And guided Sunday rambles
Spouting history on hikes
It's ATVs and horses,
Or in winter, sleds or skis
Plus plain old Highlands wildlife
Turtles, moose, or bears and bees

So in effect we still have tracks -
Our footprints on the trail
We're stepping on pure history
We're saving our own tale
Through forest, rock and wetlands
We may move through Highlands past
Imagining conductor
And his friendly whistle blast.

Deborah J. Reed

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Father's Day at Maybelle's, don'tcha know

Maybelle's Fireside stories

SOMEHOW, I'M still not quite sure how, but somehow Bogart, my pet bear, got wind that Father's Day was coming.

"Mama, Maybelle," he said. I could hear his thoughts because he was wearing his thought/voice synthesizer cap that our good friend Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom invented. "I know you're my mama, but where's papa?"

Oh, boy. I knew this day would come, but now?

"Bogart, dear," I said. "You know I'm not your REAL mama, right? I mean, I AM … but, I'm not."

"Yes, you ARE," he said, extending his big paw to me.

"No, dear, I am your human, hairless mama. Well, except for this mop on my head, don'tcha know. Your bear mama went to heaven when you were just a babe and that's when I found you."

"And my papa?" he said, looking ever so vulnerable.

"I never did meet him, dear. So … I guess I'm your human papa, too."

Well, if a bear could smile, Bogart beat them all. Happier than Winnie-the-Pooh having a marmalade sandwich with the Queen, he beamed a furry ear to furry ear.

"Yes, he said, "you're my MAPA! My mapa, my mapa, my mapa!"

I couldn't help but laugh. "Yes, dear, and I must say, that's got a ring to it."

"Mapa Maybelle, now I get to celebrate you TWICE a year," he said. "But what can I give you? I can't buy you anything because if I went into a store people would just scream … even if they knew you were my Mapa. I could COOK something for you. Make you one of my special Bogart super smoothies. No, on second thought, you get those all the time."

Poor Bogart looked so forlorn.

"Bogart," I said, combing his soft furry paw with my fingers, "don't you know how much you give me every day of the year? Why, when I'm feeling blue about all of the sad things going on in the world, it all seems to disappear just by sitting beside you. And when you do those George Carlin routines, why I'm rejuvenated with giggles."

As I've told you before, dear reader, Bogart has a genius IQ and is extremely tech savvy. He spends many hours watching his favourite stand-up comics on YouTube, especially George Carlin, and learning all of his jokes. His latest love is learning Spanish. He adores the Spanish culture, except for bull fights, which make him cry.

So, what did we wind up doing on Father's Day this year? You tell them, Bogart.

"Mapa Maybelle and I took a wonderful walk through the woods. We saw all kinds of wildflowers growing, and wild mushrooms. I saw many of my forest friends and introduced Mapa to a couple of them who weren't too afraid to meet her. We found a nest of baby blue jays and saw a red fox skirt by. And when we got home, Mapa treated me to a fresh jar of honey. That's how she is. Her joy is my joy."

"And vice versa, don'tcha know."

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* 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 22, at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Community Centre in Wilberforce.
* 6 p.m., Thursday, June 23, at the Minden and District Lions Club.
* 6 p.m., Friday, June 24, at the Haliburton United Church.

Join us to discuss how we value aging as a community and work together to plan 'home-like' alternatives to institutional care.
Visit our website ltcneedsyou.ca to register or call 705-457-2247.

Land Trust Discovery Days

Magnificent Moths
When: Saturday June 25 (rain date Sunday June 26) 8 to 10 a.m.
Where: Barnum Creek Nature Reserve
Pre-registration required, admission by donation. Visit www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca. Events Information and Registration to register.
Join Ontario moth experts as they carefully live-trap, record, photograph and release a variety of moths. You will be amazed by the beauty and wide variety of moth species. As the moths are gently released you will get an up-close look at some common and possibly rare moths. Wear a bug hat or suit and dress for the weather. This event is partially funded by TD Friends of the Environment Fund.

Haliburton Grassroots Athletics

When: Sundays, June 26 to Sept. 18, 5 to 6:30 pm. (no long weekend play).
Where: TBD
Play like a bunch of girls! Haliburton Ladies Soccer is happening this year! If you're in the area and like to play footie, sign up today. All levels welcome! Registration is open until June 25.
Contact: www.dysartetal.ca

Wonderful Whip-poor-wills

When: Saturday July 9, 8:15 p.m.
Where: The Bathe Farm, Sedgwick Rd. Gelert
Pre-registration required, admission by donation. Visit www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca Events Information and Registration to register. Join Dave Bathe to learn about this interesting nocturnal species whose name sounds exactly like its call. You will learn about its habitat preferences, diet, and distinguishing characteristics. You will also learn about the present threats to its habitat and how you can maintain and/or improve this habitat. After the presentation, we will go outside and listen to the Whip-poor-wills calling on Dave's property. This event is partially funded by Environment Canada & Climate Change, Habitat Stewardship Program.

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Inspiration to create is all around

LAURIE JONES
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"Clothed drying on a line has been a familiar subject for centuries. Rachel Charyk's oil on canvas captures a familiar sight in her own style." Charyk was born in Georgina and graduated from OCAD University in 2015 majoring in drawing and painting. /Submitted by Laurie Jones

I have been a member of the board of directors of a canoeing camp for many years during which hundreds of young people have learned to paddle, felt the thrill of danger, the confidence that comes with competence, the warmth of a campfire and been indelibly tinged by their brush with the wilderness. This summer when I was back to help with the annual clean-up day, getting the place ready for a new generation of campers, something was missing. Stapled to the bulletin board in the common room, there used to be a 1 in. x 3 in. slip of white paper on which was written: "Lead by example." I remembered tacking it high up there as a reminder to young camp counsellors of their responsibility to show the way, not tell it. I felt a sharp pang, was that indignation? Why would someone pry out the wire stitch that held that golden advice up for over 20 years? I was really very disappointed, and a bit sad. Oh, well, I muttered "everyone is on their own journey and most lessons cannot be taught - they are learned from experience." I did not appreciate the irony of my attempt to influence teenagers with words until today.

Sometimes I meet an artist (not often a teen) who takes great pride in being "self taught," even to the point of rejecting art education lest it interfere with their innate ability to express themselves freely. I was one of those artists myself. Even now, I remain a bit like the novice adult paddler who holds the paddle's stem not the grip; just happy to get on the water! I am happy to get lost in painting just about anything, even a blank wall! All the better, if someone says it is "really good," or wants to pay me! But, as my world expands, I have come to the realization that taking an art class is not a threat - it's a treat! Using the best paints I can afford is not an indulgence - it is the right thing to do! And to closely examine work by other artists, even to copy them, is a great way to grow my own practice. Maybe it's a sign of maturity.

Art museums are as much like learning labs as the classroom. There is a longstanding tradition of learning by copying art. In fact on any given day you will see students from the world over learning at the foot of the great masters in western art. I doubt very much if Paul Cézanne felt diminished by copying Michelangelo centuries later, nor Michelangelo for copying from Masaccio 1497 fresco. There is much to be said for copying to build foundational skills. Last week, the Rails End Gallery hosted three student groups. We looked at the work of Ramune Luminaire's *Love & Loss* which is on exhibit until July 2. Seeing students seated on folding stools in the Rails End Gallery exhibition space, looking at art always makes me think of the Louvre. You don't have to look far in Haliburton County to find some stellar examples to lead your artistic journey. Sometimes it's OK to let someone else lead (as my dance partners often whisper to me).

A word of caution - there are some no-nos: acknowledge your source material, if you are selling your work, be transparent, learn about cultural appropriation and why it is significant today. I once encountered an artist who made quite a bit of money painting over calendar images from an old calendar featuring Monet's work. Some buyers thought she was a genius! That little slip of paper popped into my head …

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Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend.
Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays: Cribbage 1 p.m. start – Schofield Room.
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Local Landmark Mystery

The following are images of a local landmark. Try to guess what the landmark is and look for the reveal in next week's *County Life*. Concept and images from Thom Lambert, who shares informative posts about things to see and do in the Highlands through @myhaliburtonhighlands on Instagram. /Submitted by Thom Lambert

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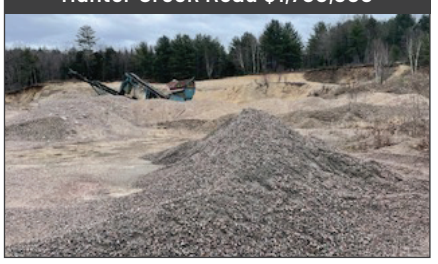

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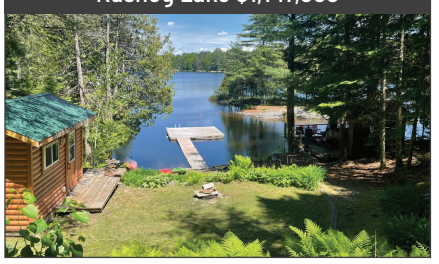

- 1200 sq foot cottage on desirable Kushog Lake
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Kennisis River $450,000

- 1400+ sq foot home or cottage
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Wendy Evenden photographed an eastern tiger swallowtail.

A black bear emerges from the woods for area photographer Tammy Nash to photograph.

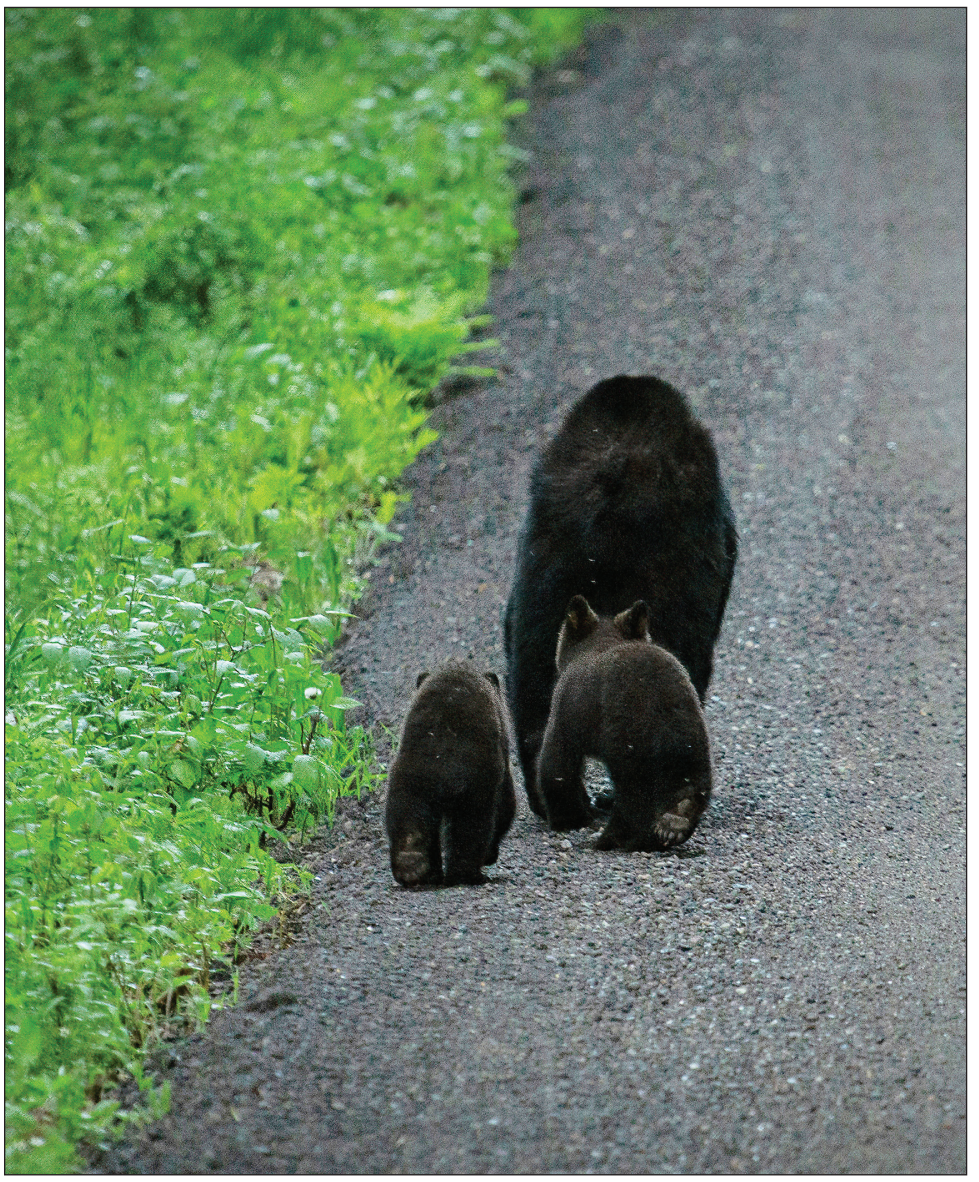
"My husband and I were out for a walk with our dogs the other day in Highlands East and came across this beautiful sight. There was some fungus growing out of a tree stump and water had filled it in. We thought the birds would be very happy with this spa. Hee! Thought others might enjoy the picture ... " /Submitted by Kimberley Kelly

Haliburton County Echo publisher David Zilstra photographed baby robins nestled together at the newspaper's office in Haliburton.

A black bear crosses a road in the rain and fog, which provided Tammy Nash the spring setting for her photo.

Finding reflections. Area photographer Tammy Nash went up to Algonquin Park to take this photograph of the Lake of Two Rivers.

Wildlife photographer of Algonquin Highlands Tammy Nash said she captured a "soggy fisher in the drenched brush" over two days.



Tammy Nash photographed "Momma and cubs walking away."

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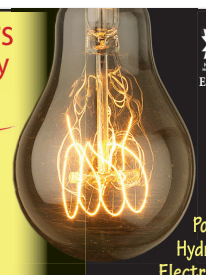

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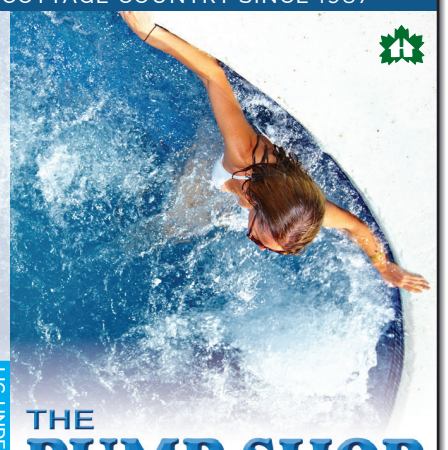

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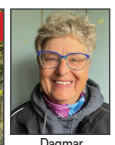

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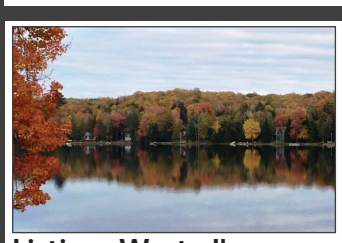

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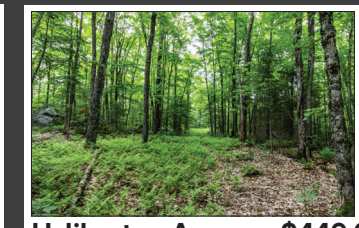

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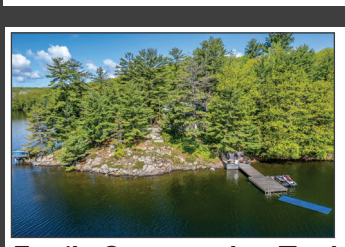

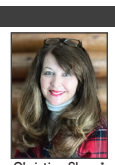

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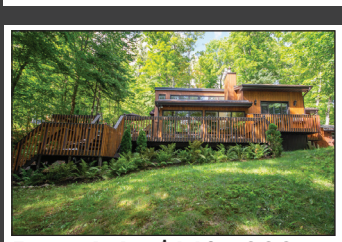

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Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team
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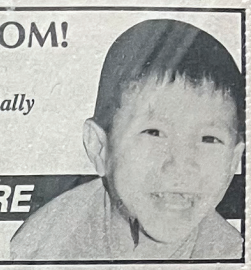

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Kushog spraying to start this week

by ANNE HEWITT
Staff Reporter

Spraying for tent caterpillars on Kushog Lake will begin this week, says Marie Thomson of the Environment Committee for the Kushog Lake Property Owner's Association.

Members of the association met with a representative from AgricAir, the King City based company that will be doing the spraying, last weekend to finalize the details. The group went over a revised list of those who wanted their property sprayed, and then completed a map for the pilot.

Forms were mailed out to the property owners earlier in the year asking them if they wanted their property sprayed. Approximately 240 people replied to the first mailing, but over 200 owners did not respond at all. Nineteen did not want their property sprayed, and four were adamant that none of the spray touch their property.

"Overall people were interested in the idea," said Norma Goodger, a member of the committee. "So we contacted the spraying company. Originally we had hoped to spray Crown land, but the process of getting permission was too long, and it would have been too late (to spray)."

After contacting the spraying company, the association mailed out contracts to those interested in the project, along with information on how to go about contracting the company. Each individual property owner has a contract with the company.

Property will only be sprayed if the owner indicated that they were interested, and sent in the contract. If the property owner objected to the spraying in the mailing their land will not be sprayed, nor will their neigbours', even if they requested spraying. That way none of the spray will drift onto the property of those in opposition.

"We are taking great pains to respect people's wishes," said Goodger. "The spraying company can be quite specific about where they drop it."

The cost to the property owner will be 27 cents per foot of water frontage, based on the frontage indicated on the contract. For someone with 150 feet of frontage, the total cost works out to $40.50.

"It is a small price to pay to save even one tree," wrote Goodger in the Kushog Lake newsletter. "If the spraying reduces the caterpillar damage, I will consider it to have been worthwhile."

The spray being used is known as Dipel, and it occurs naturally in the environment. Thomson, who was

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Walk on by...
Sarah Cowling and Amy Vaughan were out enjoying the sunshine on Lake Kashagawigamog Road on Sunday. They were participating in the walk for water, which raised $10,000 for water projects in third world countries.

AHM residents face 12% tax increase

by SUSAN GROBER
Staff Reporter

Minden ratepayers will see a 12.48 per cent increase in taxes as council passed their budget in a special meeting last week.

According to Reeve Ray Moore, council originally expected an increase of up to 32 per cent, but major cuts were made to keep the increase to a minimum.

"We had to work very hard on it, and had quite a few meetings," Moore said in an interview. "We had to do some slashing in our parks, so it was fortunate that we had $78,000 in the parks reserve fund." The municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden recently accepted and matched a $78,000 grant from the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation to begin major work on a park plan.

"That will help our parks budget considerably," he said.

In drawing up their budget, council was faced with a 22 per cent municipal levy increase ($750,601), a 13.2 per cent education levy increase ($842,721) and an 8.8 per cent county levy increase ($236,971).

In order to keep the overall increase down, Moore said there have been considerable decreases to roads expenditures. Transportation was decreased about 25 per cent from last year's budget to $833,830.

"The budget is not reflecting what we are trying to do," said Moore, adding that projects will have to be delayed.

"This year is a bite-the-bullet year. It has been forced upon us to increase taxes." Unconditional grants from the province only increased one per cent to $236,248. "They were cut a little bit," he said. "We can cry and scream all we want, but we have to deal with what we have."

Moore added that he would like to see an increase in commercial and industrial assessment. "If you don't have assessment and growth you're in trouble."

Newsletter explains plans

by SUSAN GROBER
Staff Reporter

Lutterworth residents will find a newsletter along with their tax bill at the end of June if all goes according to council's plans.

Normally information regarding general items such as dog tags is printed on the bottom of the sheet which shows the mill rate, but an extra page will now be inserted to keep residents up on any progress in the township.

At last week's council meeting, Reeve Carol Puffer said the newsletter will "update taxpayers" on items such as the landfill sites or the proposed industrial park. She said information regarding which fire department each resident should contact in an emergency could also be included. "A lot of people think that they should just phone Minden, when it could be the Norland department that services their area."

She said the newsletter would also help inform people about the new controlled access at Lutterworth's three landfill sites. "What happens after hours is just awful...If we had the co-operation of the residents it would make things easier, but some people just don't seem to care."

Lutterworth hit with 15.8% taxation hike

by SUSAN GROBER
Staff Reporter

Lutterworth council passed their budget last week and residents of the township will see a 15.8 per cent increase in taxes this year.

According to Reeve Carol Puffer, the township is faced with the "same problems and the same expenses" as usual. But with large increases in the county and educational levies, she's surprised the overall tax increase isn't higher.

"We were able to come in at 15.8 per cent overall. I know that's a large chunk, but we're being bombarded from all directions."

Lutterworth's increase for elementary education comes in at 13.8 per cent, while an extra 18.7 per cent will be paid for secondary education. "The county is one we didn't expect to deal with," said Puffer. The county levy increase is 11.2 per cent.

Puffer said out of 10 municipalities, Lutterworth is being slapped with the highest county levy increase. "I'm still trying to figure out what transpired in Lutterworth last year that's any different from elsewhere," she said.

"There's a large convoluted formula that's used to formulate county levies," she said. "I still can't fathom why Lutterworth is up so high."

The overall increase means a difference of $40 a year for the average taxpayer.

HCSA loop fundraising drive is underway

by ANNE HEWITT
Staff Reporter

Fundraising for the snowmobile loop in Haliburton County is under way, and forms asking for donations from businesses are in the mail, says Mark Lester of the Haliburton County Snowmobiling Association.

The association has decided to start a levy system for those businesses that are benefitting from the snowmobiling industry in the area. They have put together a program soliciting the businesses for support. Businesses have the option of paying the full amount at once, paying in installments, paying less than requested, or not paying at all.

Every four to eight months the businesses will be solicited again in case of a change of hands or a change in attitude. Lester says so far the response from the businesses has been outstanding.

"The initial response was overwhelming," he says. "People were taking the sheet and sending us cheques even before the first mailing. They want to make sure they have the winter business they've come to rely on."

The money collected by the association will be used to maintain a 200 km section of the 640 km snowmobiling loop, which travels around the perimeter of the county. The trails will also be widened into a dual lane, so that twice as many sleds can use them before moguls start to appear.

Two new grooming machines will be able to comb the loop and put it into shape overnight. The feeder trails will be gone over in approximately one day using five smaller machines.

Lester says the grooming is essential for providing safe snowmobiling in the area. He says 175 sleds used the trails on an average weekday last year, and trail counts were up 30 per cent last winter.

"We want to be able to continue providing safe snowmobile trails," he says. "If the trails get rough people start to take the roads and the lakes."

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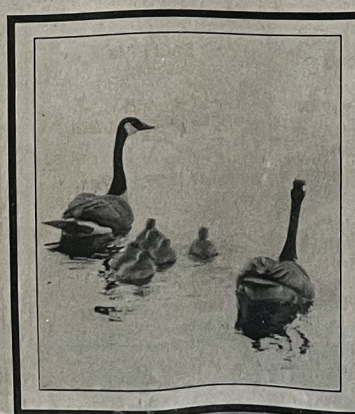

County Life

The Haliburton County Echo's new weekly magazine will keep you informed about the arts, dining, entertainment, nature and the people and places that make the Highlands a special place!

In this issue!

Monmouth tax jump held to 9 per cent

by ANNE HEWITT
Staff Reporter

Ratepayers in Monmouth township have received one of the lowest tax increases in the county—a 9.02 per cent rise over last year.

The largest individual increase was seen in the municipal levy, which jumped 14.78 per cent (from $188,544 last year to $216,409 this year). Most of the incease was as a result of the environment. In order to fence the dump, and provide a caretaker for it, over $8,000 had to be budgeted.

Fire protection also received a jump in funding. Over $35,000 was alloted, in order to purchase new pagers and air packs for the crew. Clerk-Treasurer for Monmouth Township, Sharon Stoughton-Craig says the increase will only occur if the township receives a grant for fire protection.

The budget for roads increased by approximately $193,000 this year. However, Stoughton-Craig says the bulk of the money will be received from the Ministry of Transportation. The ministry will be contributing $343,000 of the $428,000 total because the funds will be used to build a new garage.

General government expenditures decreased more than $3,000. The figure was higher last year because

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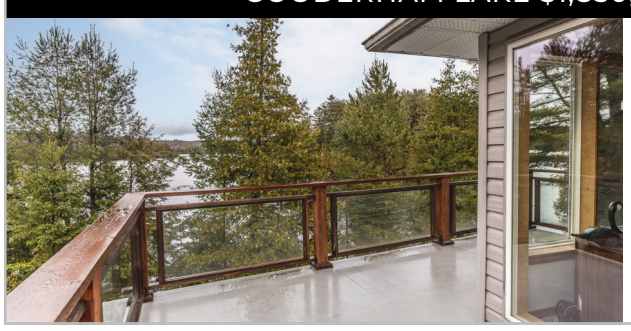

Walking distance to town, architecturally designed and expanded over the years, this house feels as much like an executive home as it does a waterfront family escape.

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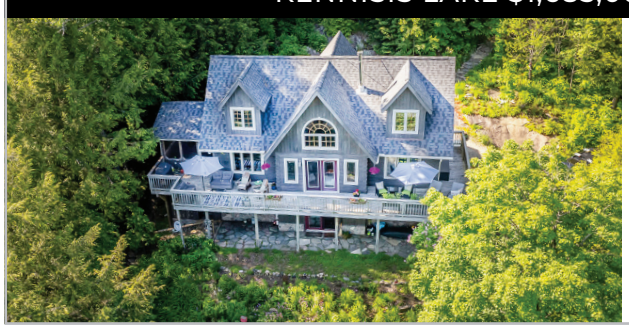

This beautiful Colonial Concepts log home is on one of Haliburton's premier lakes. With mostly all furnishings included, it has everything you need for year-round living or a family getaway.

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